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A. Barracks Camps

1. During the winter season 1946-47, twenty-four large barracks camps were being constructed in the following forest areas and mountain ridges in Yugoslavia:

- (a) South Slovenia in the western part of the Gorjanci Mountains (Sheet 27, RJ-9784)
- (b) East Croatia in the Papuk Mountains (Sheet 32, SF-8067)
- (c) West Croatia in the Grmo Mountains (Sheet 60, WP-5186)
- (d) North Bosnia in the Kozara Mountains north of Banja Luka (Sheet 45, SF-2213)
- (e) North Slovenia in western Pohorje Mountains in the vicinity of the Mislinja valley (Sheet 12, RD-9174 to RD-9061)

The rest of the barracks are unlocated but are thought to be in Serbia or Macedonia.

2. The official explanation is that the barracks are to be used for the regular army in order to avoid building new barracks in the cities. It is rumored, however, that the barracks are actually to house Russian troops which will be brought in to deal with internal unrest or overt activity on the part of the opposition. It is also rumored that the barracks are being built as retreats for UDB, KNOJ, and reliable units of the militia in case these Communist party supporters are forced to resume partisan fighting.

B. German PW's are constructing a large arsenal near Sarajevo.

C. The Icici Coastal Brigade, which operates in the Susak-Rijeka-Pela area, the territory of the recently discontinued POK (Pomorska Obalska Komanda - a sub-sector of North Adriatic Naval Command) is divided into three units called divisions:

Icici Coastal Division
Rab Coastal Division with batteries at Rab and Lepar
Briuni Coastal Division

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